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MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES, RULES, AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO PUBLIC HEALTH.

RALEIGH, N. C.

Board of Health—Organization, Powers, and Duties—Officers. (Chap. XX, Ord. July 19, 1912.)

SECTION 1. The department of health and street cleaning shall be composed of a board of 10 members, as follows: Two practicing physicians, members of the Raleigh Academy of Medicine, who shall be elected biennially in the month of July by the board of aldermen; the superintendent of health, the mayor, city attorney, chairman of the street committee, chairman of the sewer committee, chairman of the water committee, chairman of the sanitary committee, and the sanitary inspector. They shall constitute a local board of health for the city of Raleigh, whose duty it shall be to faithfully execute all laws of the State and all ordinances of the city relating to the public health of the city of Raleigh. The board of health shall have power to make all necessary rules and regulations for the promotion and preservation of vital statistics within the city of Raleigh, subject to the ratification of the board of aldermen. The executive officers of the department shall be the superintendent of health and the sanitary inspector.

SEC. 2. The superintendent of health shall be ex officio president of the board of health, and shall be elected biennially in the month of July by the board of aldermen. He shall be a regular practitioner of medicine, in good standing in the Raleigh Academy of Medicine. He shall notify the State board of health of his election, and shall make such reports and answer such inquiries concerning the sanitary condition of the city, diseases prevalent, vital statistics, etc., as may be required by the State board of health. He shall convene the board of health in regular session at least once in every three months and shall have power to call the said board together whenever in his judgment the public health demands it. He shall hold his office for two years and until his successor is elected and qualified. He shall compound and furnish medicines for and prescribe and attend to such indigent sick of the city of Raleigh as may be unable to employ a physician or buy medicine, and for this purpose and all other services rendered by him to the city or that may be required of him by the mayor, the board of aldermen shall annually appropriate such sums of money as it may deem proper. Said superintendent of health shall have an office in the city, centrally located, or at such place as the mayor and the board of aldermen may designate, and shall keep the same open in such manner and at such time as the mayor and the board of aldermen may direct, and shall render medical assistance to such indigent sick of the city in such manner as the mayor and board of aldermen may direct, and shall perform such other duties and render such other services and furnish such other medicines to the city as the mayor and the board of aldermen may require him to perform, render, or furnish. If the superintendent of health shall fail to perform in a proper manner any of the duties imposed by this section, or by the mayor or the board of aldermen, or shall abuse his office, he shall forfeit such office upon conviction thereof by the board of aldermen.

SEC. 3. The sanitary inspector shall be elected by the board of aldermen biennially in the month of July. He shall be clerk to the board of health and shall be vested

with the same authority and powers delegated to policemen by the city charter and ordinances. His salary shall be fixed by the board of aldermen, and he shall hold his office for 2 years and until his successor is elected and qualified.

SEC. 4. Biennially in the month of July an assistant sanitary inspector shall be elected, who shall be under the control and supervision of the sanitary inspector. He shall be vested with the same authority and powers delegated to policemen by the city charter and ordinances and shall wear a uniform and badge. His salary shall be fixed by the board of aldermen.

SEC. 5. The clerk to the board of health shall keep a full and accurate record of all the business done at all its meetings, cause to be published all the orders and notices of the board, and file for reference all reports, complaints, orders, and other papers relating to the business of the board. He shall cause to be published in the newspapers of the city and by printed or written notices, to be posted one in each ward of the city, all orders, rules, and regulations made by the board of health in relation to the sanitary or healthful condition of the city, and any person neglecting or refusing to comply with the rules, orders, or regulations of the board of health shall, upon conviction, be subject to a penalty of \$10 for every such offense.

SEC. 6. It shall be the duty of every person now practicing or pretending or advertising to practice medicine, surgery, or midwifery within the city of Raleigh, and of every person who may hereafter intend to practice medicine, surgery, or midwifery in the city of Raleigh, before attempting or advertising to practice the same to register in the office of the board of health, in a book to be kept for that purpose, his or her name, residence, the name and location of the college or school or other institution from which such person received a diploma, certificate, or license to practice medicine or surgery and the date of the same. Every person refusing or neglecting to comply with the provisions of this section shall be subject to a penalty of \$10 for every day such person shall so refuse or neglect to comply with the provisions hereof.

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SEC. 26. The superintendent of health shall superintend the collection of the vital statistics of the city and shall make every effort to make such statistics as accurate and complete as may be, particularly such as relate to the cause of death. He shall annually in the month of March make to the board of aldermen a detailed statement of the operations of the board of health during the preceding year, with a full and accurate account of all expenses incurred in the discharge of its duties.

SEC. 27. The sanitary inspector shall be the chief executive officer of the health and street-cleaning department, always subject to the order and regulations of the board of aldermen. It shall be his duty to promulgate all sanitary ordinances made by the board and be responsible for the faithful enforcement of all sanitary laws, rules, and regulations that may be made by the board of aldermen or the board of health. He shall submit all pay rolls and bills to be paid out of any appropriation for the health and street-cleaning department to the city clerk at proper times for audit and approval and employ and pay off the laborers of the department. It shall be the duty of the said inspector to superintend the street sweeping done at night, all street cleaning, flushing of sewers, and the operations of the night-soil and garbage carts, and to give such orders as he may deem proper and necessary to enforce a faithful performance of duty on the part of laborers employed in the health and street-cleaning department. He shall have general supervision of the sanitary work in the city and shall in person frequently inspect the city watershed and all dairies and slaughterhouses in the suburbs of the city and shall closely supervise the stables of the health and street-cleaning department and the dumping grounds. It shall likewise be his duty to visit every part of the city and rigidly enforce compliance with all sanitary ordinances. He shall take the oath prescribed for regular policemen, wear such uniform or badge as the board of aldermen may direct, and shall conform to all the rules and regulations established by the board of aldermen and the board of

health, and perform such other duties as the said boards may from time to time see proper to impose.

SEC. 28. It shall be the duty of the sanitary inspector or other police officers at least once in every month from May 1 to October 1 and once in 60 days from October 1 to May 1 to make a thorough investigation of the sanitary condition of the city, especially examining in person or by competent deputy all lots, privies, drains, and cellars, and see that all the ordinances of the city in regard to sanitary matters are faithfully carried out, and shall report all violations of the law to the mayor, and upon the affidavit of the sanitary inspector the mayor shall issue a warrant for any person so offending.

SEC. 29. It shall be the duty of the sanitary inspector or other police officers, under the direction of the mayor, to investigate the condition of the privies, back yards, and other places in the city, and to notify the owner, agent, or tenant of the premises found in a filthy condition to cleanse the same. If they are not so cleansed within 48 hours after notice is given, the party in default shall be subject to a penalty of \$10 and \$5 additional for each day such nuisance shall continue.

SEC. 32. Whenever any person shall die within the limits of the city of Raleigh who shall prove, upon investigation made by the mayor, chief of police, sanitary inspector, or other police officers, to be a subject of charity, and whose estate shall be unable to pay funeral expenses, it shall be the duty of the sanitary inspector to take charge of the remains of such person and see that the same are properly and decently interred, the city paying the expense incurred thereby. Any person who shall obstruct, hinder, or prevent in any way the sanitary inspector, or any one acting under his direction, from removing the remains of such persons for interment shall, on conviction before the police justice, be subject to a penalty of \$10

SEC. 49. The sanitary inspector shall make an annual report of the operations of the health and street cleaning department and transmit the same to the board of aldermen.

SEC. 50. Any person who shall fail to comply with any of the notices relating to the abatement of nuisances and sanitary ordinances, served through the health and street cleaning department, chief of police or other city policeman, shall, upon conviction, be subject to a penalty of \$10.

Births and Deaths—Registration of—Burial or Removal of Bodies. (Chap. XX, Ord. July 19, 1912.)

SEC. 7. Every physician or midwife attending or present at the birth of any human being within the city of Raleigh shall, within 24 hours thereafter, certify the same to the clerk to the board of health, upon blanks to be furnished by said clerk and signed by such physician or midwife, specifying therein the time and place of birth, the ward and street where born, the sex, color, condition, and, as near as can be ascertained, the parentage of such birth, giving the name of the father and mother. In case there shall be no attending physician or midwife, then the next of kin or other person present at such birth shall, within 24 hours thereafter, report the same to the clerk to the board of health, who shall take the necessary steps to ascertain as near as can be the facts aforesaid. The clerk shall file for reference every certificate of birth, he having first recorded them in a book kept for that purpose. Any person whose duty it is to report a birth under this section and who shall fail to do so shall, upon conviction before the police justice, be subject to a penalty of \$10.

SEC. 8. It shall be the duty of every practicing physician who has attended any person at a last illness, or has been present by request at the death of any person, to make within 12 hours and furnish to the undertaker or other person superintending the burial, a certificate of such death, setting forth as far as the same can be ascertained